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In re application of: Earl J. Votolato

Application No.: 09/804,451  
Filed: March 12, 2001  
For: Utility Knife Tool

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
(37 C.F.R. § 1.114)

1. Applicant hereby requests continued examination, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, for the above identified application.

TIME REQUEST IS BEING MADE

2. This request is being submitted:
  - i. Prior to abandonment of the application

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## ENCLOSURES

3. Enclosed herewith are:

An amendment and a copy of the oath/declaration previously filed with the U.S. Patent Office.

### FEE FOR REQUEST (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)).

4. This application is on behalf of small entity (and status is still as small entity).

Continued Prosecution Request Fee: 375.00

### FEE FOR CLAIMS

5. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDIT. FEE		
TOTAL	10	—	20 = 0	x \$ 9.00	= \$	0.00	
INDEP.	1	—	3 = 0	x \$ 42.00	= \$	0.00	
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				+ \$ 140.00	= \$	0.00	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE					\$	0.00	

No additional fee for claims is required.

### EXTENSION OF TIME

6. The proceedings herein are for a patent application, and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) apply.

Applicant petitions for an extension of time, the fees for which are set out in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(4), for one month:

Fee: \$55.00

**TOTAL FEE(S) DUE**

7. The total fee(s) due is/are:

Continued Prosecution Fee (Section 1.17(e))	\$375.00
Fee(s) for additional claims (Section 1.16(b)-(d))	\$0.00
Extension of time fee (Section 1.17(a)(1)-(4))	\$55.00
Total Fee(s) Due:	\$430.00

**PAYMENT OF FEE(S) DUE**

8. Please pay the fee(s) for this continued examination application as follows:

Charge Account 502191 the sum of \$430.00.

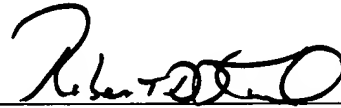
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**INVENTORSHIP**

9. This application as amended names as inventors the same inventors as previously designated for the claims.

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